



# Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition Report

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**Week Ending August 23, 2015**

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 4.8 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, August 23, 2015**. Topsoil moisture supplies were 4 percent very short, 30 percent short, 58 percent adequate, and 8 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 11 percent very short, 30 percent short, 54 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 59.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Gilbert to 73.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Des Arc. Highs ranged from 78.9 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 92.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Des Arc. The precipitation for the week was spread throughout the state, with the highest concentration in the northwest region of the state with an average of 2.60 inches.

**Crop progress for week ending August 23, 2015**

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, dent	98	95	97	98
Corn, mature	81	66	77	81
Corn, harvested	25	12	6	31
Cotton, setting bolls	100	98	100	100
Cotton, open bolls	15	13	14	21
Peanuts, pegging	100	99	NA	NA
Rice, headed	97	88	92	94
Rice, mature	46	27	21	37
Rice, harvested	6	2	1	7
Sorghum, coloring	95	90	94	93
Sorghum, mature	62	44	46	57
Sorghum, harvested	19	4	3	20
Soybeans, blooming	98	96	98	98
Soybeans, setting pods	92	86	93	92
Soybeans, turning color	42	34	25	21
Soybeans, dropping leaves	12	4	10	10
Soybeans, mature	5	NA	3	5
Soybeans, harvested	1	0	0	2

**Crop condition for week ending August 23, 2015**

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn	6	3	25	48	18
Cotton	4	2	14	44	36
Hay, alfalfa	1	6	66	25	2
Hay, other	3	20	41	30	6
Livestock	2	3	31	56	8
Pasture	4	18	34	35	9
Peanuts	2	4	48	43	3
Rice	3	5	24	50	18
Sorghum	2	3	18	55	22
Soybeans	5	7	26	48	14

## Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Sugarcane aphid numbers have jumped during the week, watching several fields to determine when an insecticide will need to be applied. Corn irrigation is pretty much finished, rice is making good progress. A few livestock producers have harvested hay during the week.”

-Mike Andrews, Randolph County

“Melon harvest is winding down. Hay harvesting. Preparing ground for planting winter annuals. Fly control on cattle.”

-Joe Moore, Sharp County

“Harvesting of rice and corn picked up through the week with limited yield or quality results reported. Scattered rain showers helped to ease irrigation pressure. A major pod feeding worm outbreak has occurred in soybeans. Sorghum yield reports have been fair to very good. Irrigation has been terminated on cotton. Sporadic levels of armyworms have been reported in pastures.”

-Brent Griffin, Prairie County

“Grain Sorghum yields will be down from last year. Few producers are finished harvesting milo are going to corn next. Complex of worms are attaching our younger soybeans. Many are treating. Many rice fields were drained this week.”

-Mitch Crow, Saint Francis County

“First reports of Army worms. Rainfall and seasonal temps have started regreening of browned out pastures and hayfields. Moisture needs to continue for producers with plans to plant cool season forages.”

-Robin Bridges, Union County

## Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending August 23, 2015

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
<b>Northwest</b>										
Kingston	78.9	60.4	69.6	77.3	-7.7	3.02	4	NA	4.18	NA
Lead Hill	84.7	61.7	74.0	76.0	-2.0	1.56	3	0.91	2.56	-0.33
Winslow	79.0	63.0	71.0	NA	NA	3.22	4	NA	4.57	NA
Extreme/Average	80.9	61.7	71.5	76.7	-4.8	2.60	4	0.91	3.77	-0.33
<b>North Central</b>										
Calico Rock	81.7	59.6	70.6	76.6	-6.0	0.26	1	-0.40	1.82	-1.02
Evening Shade	83.1	60.0	71.6	79.2	-7.7	0.27	2	-0.35	3.58	0.81
Gilbert	82.9	59.0	70.9	78.3	-7.4	1.08	2	0.49	1.72	-0.92
Mammoth Spring	83.4	61.7	72.6	76.8	-4.2	0.13	3	-0.54	3.02	0.30
Mountain Home	81.9	62.3	72.1	78.7	-6.7	0.95	4	0.25	2.94	0.17
Mountain View	84.4	63.9	74.1	78.8	-4.6	0.58	2	-0.20	1.71	-1.86
Extreme/Average	82.9	61.1	72.0	78.1	-6.1	0.55	4	-0.13	2.46	-0.42
<b>Northeast</b>										
Corning	83.4	65.1	74.3	79.0	-4.8	0.75	4	0.18	4.44	1.67
Jonesboro	83.9	63.9	73.9	79.2	-5.3	0.67	3	0.09	4.91	2.09
Keiser	86.0	70.0	78.0	80.5	-2.6	1.83	2	1.47	7.08	4.74
Newport	82.0	66.4	74.2	80.0	-5.8	2.71	3	2.13	6.62	4.13
Pocahontas	84.7	62.6	73.6	78.3	-4.6	0.53	1	-0.21	3.28	0.38
Searcy	86.8	68.2	77.5	80.4	-2.9	1.25	3	0.85	3.03	0.60
Extreme/Average	84.5	66.0	75.3	79.6	-4.3	1.29	4	0.75	4.89	2.27
<b>West Central</b>										
Dardanelle	87.7	67.1	77.4	81.2	-3.8	1.13	1	NA	3.50	NA
Mena	86.4	64.4	75.4	78.2	-2.7	3.49	2	2.94	3.72	0.90
Subiaco	86.6	68.6	79.2	80.2	-1.0	3.32	2	2.63	4.46	1.60
Waldron	88.4	64.3	76.4	78.8	-2.5	1.99	2	1.32	2.17	-0.62
Extreme/Average	87.3	66.1	77.1	79.6	-2.5	2.48	2	2.30	3.46	0.63
<b>Central</b>										
Alum Fork	83.7	64.9	74.3	78.9	-4.6	1.64	3	0.99	2.78	-0.12
Cabot	89.0	66.5	77.8	80.4	-2.7	0.87	2	0.29	2.11	-0.33
Conway	88.3	65.6	76.9	80.5	-3.6	1.23	3	0.58	1.83	-0.90
Hot Springs	88.0	68.8	78.4	81.7	-3.4	1.65	2	1.11	1.85	-1.06
Morrilton	87.1	65.7	76.4	79.7	-3.3	1.45	3	0.82	2.82	0.36
Extreme/Average	87.2	66.3	76.8	80.3	-3.5	1.37	3	0.76	2.28	-0.41
<b>East Central</b>										
Brinkley	86.4	68.0	77.2	80.0	-2.9	0.50	1	0.16	1.70	-0.37
Des Arc	92.3	73.0	82.7	81.2	1.2	0.78	3	0.27	1.41	-0.88
Keo	86.0	66.2	76.1	80.1	-4.0	1.03	3	0.65	1.08	-0.88
Stuttgart	89.2	68.2	78.7	80.6	-2.0	1.07	2	0.72	1.58	-0.72
West Memphis	86.1	69.9	78.0	80.5	-2.5	1.26	4	0.62	4.44	1.81
Extreme/Average	88.0	69.1	78.5	80.5	-2.0	0.93	4	0.48	2.04	-0.21
<b>Southwest</b>										
Ashdown	89.7	68.6	79.1	NA	NA	0.62	2	0.04	0.62	-1.85
Murfreesboro	87.5	64.3	75.9	78.8	-2.8	3.83	3	3.24	3.83	1.17
Nashville	89.4	68.9	79.1	82.4	-3.2	2.55	2	1.98	2.59	-0.12
Extreme/Average	88.9	67.3	78.1	80.6	-3.0	2.33	3	1.75	2.35	-0.27
<b>South Central</b>										
Camden	91.8	69.1	80.8	81.0	-0.2	2.43	5	1.85	2.43	-0.12
Fordyce	90.2	69.4	80.1	79.7	0.4	1.67	3	1.10	1.78	-0.96
Magnolia	92.2	70.0	81.1	80.9	0.1	NA	NA	NA	1.46	-0.27
Extreme/Average	91.4	69.5	80.7	80.5	0.1	2.05	5	1.48	1.89	-0.45
<b>Southeast</b>										
Crossett	90.5	69.7	80.3	80.3	0.0	0.00	0	-0.84	0.80	-2.45
Eudora	90.9	72.6	81.7	82.8	-1.1	1.18	4	0.38	1.63	-1.59
Pine Bluff	87.8	69.7	78.8	81.5	-2.7	1.65	3	1.12	1.65	-1.44
Portland	87.3	70.1	78.7	81.0	-2.3	1.49	5	0.85	1.86	0.74
Rohwer	87.8	70.7	79.7	81.0	-1.3	1.48	3	0.94	1.52	-0.98
Extreme/Average	88.9	70.6	79.8	81.3	-1.5	1.16	5	0.49	1.49	-1.14
<b>State</b>	86.8	66.5	76.7	79.7	-3.0	1.62	3	1.00	2.80	0.07

DFN = Departure from Normal.

Normal= Averaged Collected Data from the Years 1981-2010.

NA = Not Available.